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Army Orders Nos. 47 to 54 have been published during the month of January, 1916.

Published on the 10th January, 1916.

9 I.—Transfer Clothing Statements.—1. The following amendment will be made in the "Instructions regarding the issue of clothing and necessaries during mobilization," issued with Army Order 308 of 1915 :—

Insert new paragraph—

19A. In the cases of men transferred from hospitals, depôts or serving units at home, Army Form W 3068 will be compiled for each man and forwarded to the dépôt or unit to which the soldier is transferred; and this Army Form will form a voucher to the clothing and necessaries account of the receiving dépôt or unit. Transfers between units will not require a transfer statement as men in such cases should have their clothing complete.

2. Following on this, Army Form W 3115 is hereby *cancelled*. Issues in hospital clothing accounts will be supported as laid down in paragraph 18 of the "Instructions regarding the issue of clothing and necessities during mobilization."

Published on the 13th January, 1916.

II.—ROYAL WARRANT.

A.O. 48.
1916.

Employment of Soldiers in Civil Occupations.

GEORGE R.J.

30 WHEREAS We deem it expedient to amend the conditions regarding the payment of the emoluments due to soldiers of Our Regular Army, Our Special Reserve,
Gen. No. 5311 (M 4282) A 2

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A.O. 48 and Our Territorial Force temporarily employed in the manufacture of munitions of war, and in certain other *continued* civil occupations connected with the present war;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS that Our Warrant of the 11th May, 1915, shall be amended as follows, with effect as from the 26th December, 1915 :—

In the antepenultimate line the words "paid from Army funds" shall be deleted.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 8th day of January, 1916, in the 6th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

KITCHENER.

Published on the 14th January, 1916.

A.O. 49. III.—Re-engagements.—1. It has been decided in certain cases and under certain conditions to allow non-commissioned officers and men of the Regular Army to re-engage so as to enable them to complete 21 years' service with a view to pension.

5
Bills
1377

2. *Re-engagement.*

(a) Warrant officers, staff-serjeants, and serjeants, other than mobilized Section D Reservists, will be dealt with under the conditions laid down in paragraph 264, King's Regulations.

(b) Other soldiers, including mobilized Section D Reservists, may be allowed to re-engage at the discretion of their commanding officer when within 3 months of completing their present engagement, including the extra year's service to which they are liable under Section 87 (1) of the Army Act.

(c) Non-commissioned officers or men whose continuance in the service for the duration of the war has been approved under Army Order 252 of 1915, may be permitted at the discretion of their commanding officer to re-engage to complete a period of 21 years' Army service, provided they give notice within 3 months of the date of this Order.

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3. *Conditions.*

A.O. 49
1916
continued.

(a) No non-commissioned officer or man will be allowed to re-engage under this Order, unless it is possible for him to complete 14 years' qualifying service and at least 18 years' total service before reaching the age of 45; and no soldier who re-engages as above, will be eligible for the special privileges as to pay and gratuity granted under War Office letters No. 49 Artificers/1916 (F. 2), dated 1st November, 1915, or No. 30/Gen. No./5244 (F. 2), dated 30th November, 1915.

(b) All service with the Colours or in the Reserve will count under Article 1135 of the Pay Warrant for the purpose of establishing the date at which a soldier shall be assessed for pension. But service in the Reserve will not count as qualifying service for fixing the rate of pension unless the soldier was mobilized from Sections A or B of the Reserve. A soldier mobilized from Section D of the Reserve may only count his Reserve service as qualifying service if he is invalidated through army duty. A private who re-engages will not be eligible for a pension unless he has completed 14 years' qualifying service on completing 21 years' service.

Published on the 19th January, 1916.

9
Gen. No.
5630

IV.—Regulations for the Clothing of the Territorial Force during the War—Amendment.—
Paragraph 86. Add at end of second line “and will become a voucher to the clothing account of the new unit.”

A.O. 50
1916

Paragraph 118. For “A.F. W 3115” substitute “A.F. W 3068”.

Add at end of paragraph “See paras. 84 to 86”.

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Published on the 20th January, 1916.

A.O. 51.
1916.

V.—ROYAL WARRANT.

Men enlisted under the provisions of the Royal
Warrant of the 20th October, 1915.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS it has been represented to Us that it is expedient that men enlisted and transferred to Our Army Reserve under the terms of Our Warrant dated the 20th of October, 1915, may, on being called up, be relegated for a further period of service in the Reserve, and that it is necessary to make certain additions to and amendments of the Regulations for the Army Reserve.

27
Gen. No.
5086

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE is that such of these men as, on being called up by direction of one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, are again relegated to the Reserve shall receive no emoluments from Army funds during their further service therein.

OUR FURTHER WILL AND PLEASURE is that the Regulations attached to Our Warrant of the 23rd of September, 1911, shall be read and construed subject to the additions and amendments made by the Regulations attached hereto.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 20th day of January, 1916, in the 6th year of Our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,

KITCHENER.

Special regulations regarding men enlisted and transferred to the Army Reserve under the provisions of the Royal Warrant of the 20th October, 1915.

A.O. 51.
1916.

110. The Commanding Officer of a reservist until he is duly appointed to a corps is the Officer Commanding the Recruiting Area in which he was residing at the time of his attestation or, if he has removed after giving due notice to the military authorities, the Officer Commanding the Recruiting Area to which he has removed.

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The Officer i/c Records of a reservist until he is duly appointed to a corps is the Officer Commanding the Sub-Area in which he was residing at the time of his attestation or, if he has removed after giving due notice to the military authorities, the Officer Commanding the Sub-Area to which he has removed. A.O. 51
1916
continued.

111. A reservist who fails to report himself when called up on permanent service and who thereby commits an offence under Section 15 of the Reserve Forces Act, 1882, may, if apprehended and taken into Civil custody, be tried before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction without the sanction of an officer who has power to direct the offender to be tried by Court Martial.

The provision of paragraph 50 of these regulations shall not therefore apply in such cases.

112. The following instructions will be substituted for those contained in paragraph 70 :—

If a man in the reserve fails, without reasonable excuse, to appear at the time and place at which he is required to attend when called out on permanent service, the officer to whom the reservist should have reported, will, at the expiration of 14 days from the date of such failure fill in and sign a certificate on Army Form D 458 and will forward it, together with the man's attestation paper, to the Officer Commanding the Recruiting Area.

The Officer Commanding the Recruiting Area will make an entry of the absence in a book to be kept for the purpose, and will attach Army Form D 458 to the man's attestation paper; he will also cause the man's name to be advertised in the *Police Gazette* as an absentee in the manner described in King's Regulations regarding deserters.

Under Section 19 (2) of the Reserve Forces Act, 1882, the entry of the absence will be conclusive evidence of the fact of such absence.

Army Council Instruction.

The Army Council Instruction to Army Order 415 of 1915 that men transferred to the Reserve will not be eligible on transfer to receive gratuity under Article 1117 of the Pay Warrant or a suit of civilian clothes or a money allowance in lieu thereof will apply to men who on being called up are relegated to the Reserve for further service therein under the above Warrant.

VI.—ROYAL WARRANT.

A.O. 52.
1916.

Recruiting Rewards in respect of Soldiers transferred to the Army Reserve on Enlistment.

GEORGE R.I.

27
Gen. No.
4852

WHEREAS by Our Warrant of 20th October, 1914, We have provided for the payment of a special recruiting reward in respect of recruits enlisted for Our Regular Army (or Our Special Reserve) for the period of the present war;

(M 4282)

A 4

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A.O. 52 OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS that no reward shall be payable in respect of recruits who are transferred *continued.* to Our Army Reserve on enlistment under Our Warrant of 20th October, 1915, when finally approved for service with the Colours on being subsequently called up with their groups.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 20th day of January, 1916, in the 6th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

KITCHENER.

Army Council's Instruction.

The recruiting reward provided in Army Order 433 of 1914 will be admissible in respect of recruits transferred to the Army Reserve under Army Order 415 of 1915 who voluntarily join the Colours for immediate service before their groups are called up and who are finally approved for service. It will also continue to be admissible for men enlisting for immediate service for the duration of the war who are finally approved and appointed to a corps on enlistment without being transferred to the Reserve.

Attention is drawn to the fact that no reward is payable for any recruit, whether enlisted for immediate service or under Army Order 415 of 1915, until he has been finally approved.

| A.O. 53. | VII.—Date of application of Amendments to the Priced Vocabulary of Clothing and Necessaries.— | A.C.D. |
|-----------------|--|---------------|
| 1916. | The amendments published with Army Order 15 of 1916 will take effect at stations abroad from the date of the Local Command Order promulgating them, instead of from 1st January, 1916. The date in question should be notified to the War Office | Est. 7779 |

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Published on the 26th January, 1916.

- 55 **VIII.—Distinctions in Dress—Assistant and Deputy-Assistant Chaplain-Generals.**—Chaplains holding the appointments of Assistant Chaplain-General and Deputy-Assistant Chaplain-General will wear the shoulder straps, gorget patches, and forage cap prescribed for the Staff Officer to the Chaplain-General, in paragraphs 1103 and 1105, Dress Regulations, 1911, as amended by Army Order 147 of 1915. A.O. 54.
Staff **1916.**
84 The Deputy Chaplain-General, British Expeditionary Force, and the Principal Chaplain, Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, will also wear these distinctions.

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A.O. 55. Pay Warrant—Amendments.

1916. GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS WE deem it expedient to amend Our Warrant governing the Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-Effective Pay of Our Army;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS that Our Warrant of the 1st December, 1914, shall be amended as follows:—

Assistants to Chief Inspector, Woolwich.

1. Article 135. Page 25, for lines 2 and 3 the 86
following shall be substituted :— 1
£ 5364

A.O. 55. If a lieutenant or second-lieutenant ... 300
1916. " captain 400

Grant for artificial appliance.

2. Article 647. In line 1, "or has been injured 93011
through the performance of military duty otherwise 7
than in action" shall be inserted after "action".

Compassionate allowance for motherless children.

3. Article 654. In the third line after the table of 22
rates, after "and" the words "when the award is at Widows
ordinary rates," shall be inserted. 685

Flying Pay.

4. The following shall be inserted after Article 850 :— 20

A.O. 55. 850A. A non-commissioned officer or man of the Royal Flying Corps (military wing) undergoing instruction in aerial observation shall receive flying pay at the rate of 1s. a day for each day on which he is actually under instruction, and a non-commissioned officer or man who is a qualified observer shall receive flying pay at the rate of 2s. a day for each day on which he actually performs observation duties, provided that flying pay

R.F.C.
97

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under this Article shall not be issued to any non-commissioned officer or man for any day on which he is in receipt of flying pay under Article 850. A.O. 55
1916
continued.

Saddlers, Army Veterinary Corps.

9
Veterinary
630 5. Article 868. Under—
 "Shoeing-smith s. d."
 "2 0"

the following shall be *inserted* :—

"Saddler (if he obtains a certificate of trade proficiency from his Commanding Officer) s. d. A.O. 55.
1916.
 "2 0"

Confidential Shorthand Writer at Headquarters of a Command.

18
Gen. No.
2588 6. Article 920. In line two of (b), the words "to which a general officer commanding (as defined in Article 11) is appointed" shall be *inserted* after "command".

Pay of Civilian Students in training for Army Schoolmasters.

93
1295 7. Article 1031. In line 2, "7½d." shall be substituted for "8d."

Gratuities.

0137
2213 8. Article 1230, line 2, after "field" the words "or the military cross" shall be *inserted*.

Given at Our Court at St. James's this 31st day of January, 1916, in the 6th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

KITCHENER.

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- A.O. 56.** Staff College, Quetta—List of Graduates.—A list —⁴³
1916. arranged in regimental order of the officers who have —^{I.S.C.}
 recently graduated at the Staff College, Quetta, is —⁶⁴
 given below :—

| Rank and Name. | Corps |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Major A. D. Murray ... | Royal Garrison Artillery. |
| Captain E. D. Carr-Harris ... | Royal Engineers. |
| Major M. Magniac ... | Lancashire Fusiliers. |
| Captain H. B. Dixon* ... | Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment. |
| Major H. D. Belgrave ... | Royal West Kent Regiment. |
| " P. L. Hanbury, D.S.O.... | Shropshire Light Infantry. |
| Captain G. Craster ... | 6th King Edward's Own Cavalry. |
| " G. G. E. Wally, V.C. | Queen Victoria's Own Corps of Guides. |
| " H. G. Wilmer* ... | 14th King George's Own Ferozopore Sikhs. |
| " A. G. C. Hutchinson | 23rd Sikh Pioneers. |
| " A. M. Brown* | 47th Sikhs. |
| " M. E. S. Johnson | 48th Pioneers. |
| " S. B. Pope ... | 58th Vaughan's Rifles. |
| " K. D. B. Murray ... | 59th Scinde Rifles. |
| Brevet-Major B. E. Anderson | 59th Scinde Rifles. |
| Captain D. W. McPherson ... | 62nd Punjabis. |
| " N. Ogle... ... | 67th Punjabis. |
| " N. E. Howell ... | 82nd Punjabis. |
| " W. G. Palmer... | 113th Infantry. |
| " R. C. Wilson ... | 114th Mahrattas. |
| " H. L. Scott ... | 1st King George's Own Gurkha Rifles. |
| " C. M. T. Hogg ... | 4th Gurkha Rifles. |
| " J. D. Crowdy ... | 5th Gurkha Rifles. |
| " R. E. Coningham ... | 10th Gurkha Rifles. |

* Since deceased.

- A.O. 57.** Victoria Cross.—His Majesty the King has been —⁰²¹
1916. graciously pleased to award the Victoria Cross to the —²⁵⁰³
 undermentioned non-commissioned officers and men—

No. 1665, Corporal Alfred Alexander Burt, 1st Bn.
 Hertfordshire Regiment, Territorial Force.

For most conspicuous bravery at Cuinchy on 27th
 September, 1915.

His company had lined the front trench preparatory
 to an attack when a large minenwerfer bomb fell into

the trench. Corporal Burt, who well knew the destructive power of this class of bomb, might easily have got under cover behind a traverse, but he immediately went forward, put his foot on the fuse, wrenched it out of the bomb and threw it over the parapet, thus rendering the bomb innocuous.

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1916
continued.

His presence of mind and great pluck saved the lives of others in the traverse.

No. 9730, Private John Caffrey, 2nd Bn. The York and Lancaster Regiment.

For most conspicuous bravery on 16th November, 1915, near La Brique.

A man of the West Yorkshire Regiment had been badly wounded and was lying in the open unable to move in full view of and about 300 to 400 yards from the enemy's trenches. Corporal Stirk, Royal Army Medical Corps, and Private Caffrey at once started out to rescue him, but at the first attempt they were driven back by shrapnel fire. Soon afterwards they started again under close sniping and machine-gun fire, and succeeded in reaching and bandaging the wounded man, but, just as Corporal Stirk had lifted him on Private Caffrey's back, he himself was shot in the head.

Private Caffrey put down the wounded man, bandaged Corporal Stirk and helped him back into safety. He then returned and brought in the man of the West Yorkshire Regiment. He had made three journeys across the open under close and accurate fire, and had risked his own life to save others with the utmost coolness and bravery.

No. S/107, Corporal Alfred George Drake, 8th Bn The Rifle Brigade (Prince Consort's Own).

For most conspicuous bravery on the night of 23rd November, 1915, near La Brique, France.

He was one of a patrol of four which was reconnoitring towards the German lines. The patrol was discovered when close to the enemy, who opened heavy fire with rifles and a machine gun, wounding the Officer and one man. The latter was carried back by the last remaining man. Corporal Drake remained with his Officer and was last seen kneeling beside him and bandaging his wounds regardless of the enemy's fire.

Later, a rescue party crawling near the German lines found the Officer and Corporal, the former unconscious

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A.O. 57 but alive and bandaged, Corporal Drake beside him
1916 dead and riddled with bullets. He had given his own
continued. life and saved his Officer.

No. 1147, Corporal Samuel Meekosha, 1/6th Bn.
West Yorkshire Regiment, Territorial Force.

For most conspicuous bravery near the Yser on 19th November, 1915.

He was with a platoon of about 20 non-commissioned officers and men, who were holding an isolated trench. During a very heavy bombardment by the enemy six of the platoon were killed and seven wounded, while all the remainder were more or less buried.

When the senior non-commissioned officers had been either killed or wounded Corporal Meekosha at once took command, sent a runner for assistance, and, in spite of no less than ten more big shells falling within 20 yards of him, continued to dig out the wounded and buried men in full view of the enemy and at close range from the German trenches. By his promptness and magnificent courage and determination he saved at least four lives.

The foregoing appeared in the *London Gazette*, dated 22nd January, 1916.

A.O. 58. **Distinguished Conduct Medal.**—Two lists of warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men to whom the Distinguished Conduct Medal has been granted will shortly be issued to all concerned. 68
1916. Gen. No.

2697
0137

2301

A.O. 59. **Meritorious Service Medal.**—The following have been awarded the Medal for "Meritorious Service":— 68
1916. Gen. No.

2721

Quartermaster-Sergeant J. Adams, late 2nd Bn. Oxfordshire Light Infantry.
Company Sergeant-Major J. Barnaby, late Permanent Staff, Argyll and Bute Artillery Volunteers, formerly Southern Division Royal Garrison Artillery.
Quartermaster-Sergeant G. Grimes, late Dépôt, 1st Brigade, Royal Artillery.
Quartermaster-Sergeant W. Jackson, late Dépôt, 2nd Brigade, Royal Artillery.
Sergeant W. Wright, late Permanent Staff, 3rd (Renfrewshire) Bn. Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, formerly 91st Foot.

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- 68 **Militia Long Service Medal.**—The following have been awarded the Militia Long Service Medal:— A.O. 60.
Gen. No. 1916.
2683 No. 91, Gunner J. Lightbourne, Bermuda Militia Artillery.
No. 74, Serjeant H. J. A. Williams, Bermuda Militia Artillery.
No. 1362, Serjeant M. West, Royal Guernsey Artillery and Engineers.
No. 1701, Bandsman F. Hubert, 1st Bn. Royal Guernsey Light Infantry
No. 3110, Serjeant P. Calleja, 1st Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
No. 284, Serjeant L. Formosa, 1st Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
No. 3309, Private G. Spiteri, 1st Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
No. 3204, Private F. Wismayer, 1st Bn. King's Own Malta Regiment of Militia.
- 23 **Military Detention Barracks—(i) At St. Albans.**— A.O. 61.
Eastern In pursuance of the powers vested in him by Section 133 of the Army Act, the Secretary of State for War has set apart His Majesty's Civil Prison at St. Albans, as a military detention barrack, and has declared the same to be a military detention barrack accordingly.
217
- 23 **(ii) At Kilmainham.**—In pursuance of the powers vested in him by Section 133 of the Army Act, the Secretary of State for War has set apart the Kilmainham Gaol, as a military detention barrack, and has declared the same to be a military detention barrack accordingly.
Irish
- 76
- 23 **(iii) At Stafford.**—In pursuance of the powers vested in him by Section 133 of the Army Act, the Secretary of State for War has set apart the whole of His Majesty's Civil Prison at Stafford, as a military detention barrack, and has declared the same to be a military detention barrack accordingly.
Northern
195
- This cancels the declaration issued with Army Order 508 of 1914.
- 23 **(iv.) Military Branch Detention Barrack at Brecon.**—In pursuance of the powers vested in him by Section 133 of the Army Act, the Secretary of State for War has set apart His Majesty's Civil Prison at Brecon, as a military branch detention barrack, and has declared the same to be a military branch detention barrack accordingly.
Western
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A.O. 62. **Recognition of Cadet Units.**—The following additional cadet units have been reported as recognized by Territorial Force Associations:—

9
Cadets
2107

| Territorial Force Association. | Cadet unit. | Territorial Force unit to which affiliated. | Date of recognition by Association. |
|--------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Derby ... | Chesterfield Grammar School Cadet Corps. | 6th Bn. The Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regt.). | 1915. 13th Dec. |
| Essex ... | Braintree County High School Cadets. | 5th Bn. The Essex Regt. | 17th Dec. |
| Gloucester ... | Campden Grammar School Cadet Corps. | 5th Bn. The Gloucestershire Regt. | 20th Dec. |
| Norfolk ... | Norwich High School Cadets. | 4th Bn. The Norfolk Regt. | 19th Oct. |
| " ... | Norwich Grammar School Cadet Corps. | 4th Bn. The Norfolk Regt. | 1916. 8th Jan. |
| Stirling ... | Stanley House (Bridge of Allan) Cadet Corps. | 7th Bn. Princess Louise's (Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders). | 11th Jan. |
| Surrey ... | Farnham Grammar School Cadet Corps. | 5th Bn. The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regt.). | 10th Jan. |

NOTES.—The Liverpool Collegiate School Cadet Corps, recognized in Army Order 23 of 1916, is affiliated to 6th (Rifle) Bn. The King's (Liverpool Regiment).

The designation of the 2nd Norwich Cadet Battalion, Church Lads' Brigade, recognized in Army Order 41 of 1912, will be in future the 1st St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Battalion, Church Lads' Brigade.

The 1st North Paddington Cadets, recognized in Army Order 347 of 1911, is affiliated to 3rd (City of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (Royal Fusiliers).

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Recognition of Voluntary Aid Detachments.— A.O. 63.

A further list of detachments which have been registered at the War Office is printed as an Appendix to this Order.

1916.

9
Reserve
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Defence of the Realm Regulations—Appointment of Competent Military Authorities.— A.O. 64.

The Army Council, under the powers conferred on them by Regulation 62 of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, hereby appoint the following officers to be Competent Military Authorities for the purposes of the Regulations :—

1916.

The Field-Marshal Commander-in-Chief of the Home Forces.

The Defence Commander, No. 1 Line of Communications.

The Defence Commander, No. 2 Line of Communications.

The Defence Commander, No. 3 Line of Communications.

The Defence Commander, No. 4 Line of Communications.

They further hereby authorize the above Competent Military Authorities to delegate either unconditionally, or subject to such conditions as they think fit, all or any of their powers to any officer under their command qualified to be a Competent Military Authority.

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Regulations for Magazines and Care of War Materiel, 1913—Amendments.— A.O. 65.

1. For paragraph 84, as amended by Army Order 231 of 1915, substitute—

1916.

“84. Class B magazines should be opened for ventilation when the reading of the thermometer inside the magazine is *equal to*, or *higher than*, the reading in column 3 of the Hygrometric Table contained in Army Form G 956. The method of using the table is as follows :—

A.O. 65.
1916.

Note the reading of the dry bulb thermometer in column 1 (say 57° F.) then note the reading of the wet bulb in column 2 (say 50° F.), opposite the reading 50° F. in column 2 will be found a reading 45° F. in column 3. Provided the common thermometer inside the magazine is 45° F. or over, the magazine may be opened for ventilation.

Magazines may be opened without reference to the table when the *dry* bulb is 32° F. or below, or above

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A.O. 65 100° F., provided the thermometer inside the magazine
1916 is higher than the reading of the wet bulb outside, or
continued. when the difference between the dry and wet bulbs
 exceeds 10° F.

If the opportunities for ventilation of Class B magazines during the morning or afternoon are insufficient, they may be ventilated during the hours between sunset and sunrise, provided that the conditions for ventilation are favourable.

The Hygrometric Table, Army Form G 956, will be attached to a board and hung up in a convenient position for the information of those concerned."

2. Paragraph 110, page 26, column 3. Group I., Magazines
 Division I.B., insert "Permite (also known as Palmerite)."

A.O. 66. 1916. Provisional Regulations respecting admission to the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and for First Appointments therefrom to the Regular Army, issued with Army Order 263 of 1915.—
 1. Paragraph 62, line 1. For "three" substitute "six".
 2. Insert new paragraph—

A.O. 66. 1916. 62A. In order to ensure due diligence during the course of instruction, marks will be awarded to each cadet by the Commandant. These marks will be added to those obtained at the Army Entrance Examination, and the aggregate will determine the cadet's place in order of merit when passing out for a commission.

3. Paragraph 63, line 12. For "to successful candidates at the Army Entrance Examination" substitute ", as defined in paragraph 62A, to cadets"

4. Paragraph 64, line 5. After "MERIT" add ", as defined in paragraph 62A".

A.O. 67. 1916. Quartering Regulations, 1915—Amendments.—
 Paragraph 55. Add—

A.O. 67. 1916. "For the purpose of billeting horses, livery stables, i.e., stables in which a person carries on the business of taking in horses to board or to bait and/or of letting horses out to hire, are included in the term "victualling house," whether or not the proprietor also carries on business as an innkeeper or hotelkeeper."

Paragraph 58, page 13, column 2, sub-column 1, after "victualling house" in the heading add—

"(see para. 55)".

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Med. **Territorial Force Regulations—Amendment.**—A.O. 68.
5237 Paragraph 102, line 7. *For "after 8½ years' service* 1916.
as captain" substitute "on completion of 12 years' service".

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Gen. No. **Regulations for Army Ordnance Services, Part I.** A.O. 69.
4824 **— Amendments.**—Paragraph 659A—1916.

Line 1. *For "home" substitute "all".*

Lines 1 and 2. *Delete "and at dépôts in the Channel Islands."*

Line 4. *Delete from "At dépôts" to end of paragraph.*

Paragraph 680—

Line 1. *Delete "original"*

Delete from Table, under column "Station", the words "South African and "

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Paragraph 4, line 1. *Delete "home".*

Lines 1 and 2. *Delete "and at dépôts in the Channel Islands"*

Paragraph 14, line 4. *Delete from "Thus" to end of sentence.*

Gen. No. 6 **Regulations for Civilian Subordinates—Amendment.**—Para 161 (iv), add—A.O. 70.
5143 1916.

"and also all regulated sick leave, whether paid or unpaid, up to and including the day on which an employee is certified medically unfit for further duty." A.O. 70.
1916.

57 **Equipment Regulations, Part I.**—Amendments A.O. 71.
Gen. No. have been approved, and copies issued to all concerned. 1916.
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W.O. **Garrison Artillery Training, Vol. I., 1914—Amendments.**—Page 53. After "vicinity of the guns," A.O. 72.
2432 in last line, insert—

"care should be taken that the rubber strips, where fitted, on doors of recesses are kept in a thoroughly serviceable condition." A.O. 72.
1916.

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A.O. 72 Page 56. After "Disposal of missfires," in line 7,
1916 *insert*—

continued. "Special instructions for observance in time of
war."

Page 57. *Insert* at end of paragraph 4—

A.O. 72.
1916.

"Q.F. cartridges will not as a rule be unboxed, complete boxes being placed in recesses. The contents of recesses should as far as possible be kept just clear of each other and of the walls, and will invariably be placed on narrow battens as a precaution against damp and to admit of free ventilation. It is important that recesses should not be filled so full as to prevent the doors from closing properly."

Page 58. *Insert* fresh paragraph—

A.O. 72.
1916.

10A. Special attention will be paid to the preservation of ammunition that is opened up or exposed in any way. (See Magazine Regulations, 1913, Appendix VII.)

Page 62. After "carried out," in line 6, *insert*—

A.O. 72.
1916.

"the necessity for the care and preservation of ammunition that is on the gun floors, or exposed in any way, will be impressed upon all concerned. (See Magazine Regulations, 1913, Appendix VII.)

Page 63. *Insert* at end—

A.O. 72.
1916.

"Particular attention will be paid to the preservation of ammunition opened up or exposed in any way. (See Magazine Regulations, 1913, Appendix VII.)"

Page 81 (Section 44). *Insert* fresh paragraph—

A.O. 72.
1916.

5A. The bores of loaded guns will on no account be lubricated or wiped out, nor will any attempt be made to drive a fuzed shell out of a gun.

Page 175. After "Armament and Stores," in line 11, *insert*—

A.O. 72.
1916

"also special instructions for observance in time of war."

A.O. 73. Bayonet Training (Provisional) has been approved
1916. and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.

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Training Manual, Signalling (Provisional), 1915 A.O. 74.
—Amendments.—Paragraph 207. 1916.

Sub-paragraph (ii).

Line 2, delete "except cavalry and yeomanry".

Insert after sub-paragraph (k)—

(l) Have a good knowledge of despatch riding.
(Chapter X.)

Sub-paragraph (v)—

Delete whole sub-para.

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Engineers
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Royal Engineers, Territorial Force—Assessment A.O. 75.
of N.C.Os. and men for Engineer Pay. 1. With reference 1916.
to Army Order 386 of 1915, it is notified that the Board of Officers therein referred to should carry out the tests for first assessments for Engineer pay and for advancement to the "Superior" (1s. 8d.) and "Very Superior" (2s.) rates.

2. Advancements up to the "Skilled" (1s. 4d.) rate will be granted by Commanding Royal Engineers, or the Commandant, School of Military Engineering, on the recommendation of the man's Commanding Officer after the man has undergone the prescribed test.

3. Attention is drawn to paras. 213 and 216, R.E. Corps Memo., No. 633.

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4. The provisions of this Army Order and those of Army Order 386 of 1915, do not apply to the case of troops serving with an Expeditionary Force, regarding whom special instructions have been issued.

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Gen No.
5580

War Establishments—1. Part VII. (New Armies, A.O. 76.
1915).—Amendments have been approved, and copies 1916.
will shortly be issued to all concerned.

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2. Part VIII., 1915.—Amendments to these establishments have been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.

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W.O.
2717A

Handbooks.—1. A pamphlet on the Colt .303-inch Machine Gun has been approved and copies will A.O. 77.
shortly be issued to all concerned. 1916.

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W.O.
2876

2. Addenda to the gun handbooks for the Maxim and Vicker's guns have been approved, and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.

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3. Gun Drill for 60-pr. B.L. Gun has been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.

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| <u>A.O. 77</u> | 4. Gun Drill for 18-pr. Q.F. Gun has been approved, | 40 |
| 1916 | and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned. | W.O. |
| <i>continued.</i> | | <u>2833</u> |
| | | 47 |
| | 5. Section Gun Drill for the 6-inch B.L., 26-cwt., Howitzer has been approved, and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned. | 595 |

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1916.**BOOKS, FORMS, &c.***Military Books.*

1. The following books have been placed on sale :—

| | Price. <i>s. d.</i> |
|--|------------------------|
| Appendix to Handbook of Artillery Instruments. (December, 1915) | 0 1 |
| Field Service Manual, 1915.—Divisional Ammunition Column. (New Armies.) (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st January, 1916) | 0 3 |
| Handbook for the 9·45-inch B.L. Howitzer, 1906. (Reprinted, with amendments, 1915) | 0 8 |
| Handbook of the Ross Magazine .303-inch Rifle, Mark III. B, 1915 | 0 1 |
| Moltke's Correspondence, during the Campaign of 1866, against Austria | 0 10 |
| Priced Vocabulary of Clothing and Necessaries, 1915. Amended and additional rates, &c. Part I. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st January, 1916) | 0 1 |
| Regulations for Magazines and Care of War Matériel, 1913. Amendments. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st January, 1916) | 0 1 |
| Short Vocabulary of French Words and Phrases with English Pronunciation. Note on French Measures. Abbreviations and Terms used on French Maps. (Published 1st January, 1916) | 0 1 |

N.B.—Military canteens in the United Kingdom can obtain supplies at the rate of 5s. per 100, post free. Application must be made on Army Form L 1372, and addressed to the Secretary of the War Office, London, S.W.

Army Forms approved.

2. The following Army Forms have been approved :—

Army Form B 104-80B, "Record Office Form:—Hospital Transfers, and Progress Report."

A distribution of this form has been made to all Record Offices.

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Army Form B 104-83A, "Record Office Form:— A.O. 78
Notification of Prisoner of War." 1916

A distribution of this form has been made to all *continued.*
Record Offices.

Army Form F 710A, "Form of Agreement for the
Tenancy of Regimental Institutes. To be used
where the whole of the accommodation is provided
by the Contractor."

This form should be indented for as required.

Army Form G 956, "Hygrometric Table, for Ventila-
tion of Class 'B' Magazines."

Supplies should be indented for as required.

Army Form G 1096-46, "Spares for 80-h.p. Clerget
Engine."

Army Form G 1096-47, "Spares for 100-h.p. Clerget
Engine."

Army Form G 1096-48, "Spares for 120-h.p. Beardmore
Aero Engine."

Supplies of these three forms have been issued to all
concerned.

Army Form L 1398-37, Tables of Regulations, Army
Books and Forms and Stationery which will be taken
into the Field by an Ordnance Travelling Workshop.

This form should be indented for as required.

Army Form N 1508, "Copy of Cash Book to be rendered
with the original Pay and Mess Book."

A general distribution of this form has been made ;
any units, &c., not in possession of necessary copies
should indent in the usual way.

Army Form O 1823B, "Advances of Pay to Soldiers in
Military Convalescent Hospitals—Adjustment of."

Distribution has been made to the Command Pay-
masters of the Eastern, Western and Northern Com-
mands.

Army Form W 3129, "Voucher for Payment to
Officiating Clergymen paid under Army Order XII.
of 1916."

This form should be indented for by officers com-
manding troops at military stations as required.

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A.O. 78 Army Form 3148A, "Card for recording Clothing Issues
1916 to Prisoners of War."

continued. Should be indented for by Commandants of Prisoners of War Camps, as required. This form was previously issued unnumbered.

Army Form W 3220, "Soldier employed by firm ; letter re Pay, &c."

This form should be indented for by officers in charge of records, as required. It was formerly issued unnumbered as "Contracts/1268 (F. 2.)."

Army Form W 3222, "Travelling Voucher for Recruits" (in pads of 50).

Distribution has been made to officers in charge of recruiting areas.

Army Form W 3233, "Infectious Diseases, Return of, to Medical Officers of Health."

Distribution has been made to Headquarters of Commands.

Mobilization Store Tables.

Army Form G 1098-101, "An Ordnance Travelling Workshop." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-228, "Special Base Repair Unit, British Adriatic Mission." Dated November, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-232, "Headquarters of East African Force :—1. Force ; 2. Administrative Services and Departments ; 3. Inspector-General of Communications ; 4. A Base." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-234, "An Army Troops Company, R.E. (Salonika)." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-235, "Divisional Train (Egypt)." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-236, "A Field Ambulance (Egypt)." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-237, "Headquarters of a Division (New Armies) (Egypt)." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-238, "An Infantry Battalion (New Armies) (Egypt)." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-239, "A Pioneer Battalion (New Armies) (Egypt)." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-245, "A Reserve Park (Salonika) (with mules)." Dated December, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-246, "Mechanical Transport Company, A.S.C., for duty with Naval Kite Balloon Section in East Africa." Dated January, 1916.

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- Army Form G 1098-247, "A Horse Artillery Battery A.O. 78
and Mounted Brigade Ammunition Column (T.F.) 1916
(18-pr. Q.F. Equipment." Dated January, 1916. *continued.*
- Army Form G 1098-248, "A Field Artillery Brigade
(T.F.) (18-pr. Q.F. Equipment) (Egypt)." Dated
January, 1916.
- Army Form G 1098-250, "Mechanical Transport Com-
pany, A.S.C., for duty with 3 Kite Balloon Sections,
R.F.C. (near East)." Dated January, 1916.
- Army Form G 1098-255, "A Field Artillery (Howit-
zer) Brigade (with Mechanical Transport) (two bat-
teries, each of four 5-inch B.L. Howitzers)." Dated
January, 1916.

Mobilization Store Tables (Territorial Force).

Army Form G 1099-31, "A Veterinary Hospital, T.F.
1st Line (Home) and 2nd Line Units." Dated
December, 1915.

A distribution of the above specified Mobilization
Store Tables has been made to the A.D.O.S. of Com-
mands and Chief Ordnance Officers concerned.

Army Forms Revised.

3. The following Army Forms have been revised.
Previous prints are obsolete and should be wasted :—

Army Form B 104-112, "T.F. Monthly Return of
Warrant Officers, N.C.O.s. and Men returned to
England Sick and Wounded from Overseas."

Distribution has been made to T.F. Record Offices.

Army Form B 210, "Royal Engineer Special Reserve
(Motor Cyclist Section); application to join."

Distribution has been made to Secretaries of Motor
Cyclist Reserve Committees.

Army Form L 1398-19, "Tables of Regulations, Army
Books and Forms and Stationery which will be taken
into the Field by Veterinary Units—A Veterinary
Hospital (1,250 cases). A Base Dépôt."

This form should be indented for as required.

Army Form W 3090, "Special instructions relating to
War Matériel in Coast Defences for observance in time
of War."

Distribution has been made to Headquarters of
Commands.

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A.O. 78 Army Form F 710, "Form of Agreement for the
1916 Tenancy of Regimental Institutes."
continued. This form should be indented for as required.

Mobilization Store Tables.

- Army Form G 1098-15A, "A Field Artillery (Howitzer) Brigade (Territorial Force) (B.L. 5-inch Howitzer Equipment)." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-29B, Headquarters of Divisional Engineers (Territorial Division). Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-34B, "A Field Company (Territorial Division)." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-43B, "A Pioneer Battalion (New Armies)." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-66, "A Casualty Clearing Station." Dated January, 1916.
Army Form G 1098-74C, "A Cavalry Corps Signal Squadron." Dated January, 1916.
Army Form G 1098-102, "An Army Troops Company, R.E." Dated October, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-105, "Headquarters of Divisional Artillery (New Armies)." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-107, "Field Artillery (Howitzer) Brigade (New Armies) (4·5-inch Q.F. Equipment)." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-108, "A Divisional Ammunition Column (New Armies)." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-110, "An Infantry Battalion (New Armies)." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-223, "Searchlight Company (8 Lights), Anti-Aircraft Brigade (Home Defence)." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1098-232, "Headquarters of East African Force :—1. Force ; 2. Administrative Services and Departments ; 3. Inspector-General of Communications ; 4. A Base." Dated January, 1916.

Mobilization Store Tables (Territorial Force).

- Army Form G 1099-2A, "Headquarters and Machine Gun Section of a Yeomanry Regiment, T.F., 2nd Line." Dated December, 1915.
Army Form G 1099-8, "A Field Artillery Brigade T.F. (15-pr. B.L. Equipment), 1st Line (Home), and 2nd Line Units." Dated December, 1915.

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Army Form G 1099-10 "A Heavy Artillery Battery and Ammunition Column (T.F.) (1st Line (Home) and 2nd Line)." Dated January, 1916. **A.O. 78
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Distribution of the above specified Mobilization Store Tables has been made to the A.D.O.S. of Commands and Chief Ordnance Officers concerned.

Army Forms Cancelled.

4. The following Army Forms have been cancelled:—

Army Form A 10, "Court-Martial, Proceedings of ; Extracts from."

Army Form B 104-89, "Notification of certain Casualties to Local Secretaries of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Associations, &c."

Army Form E 509, "Poster Calling Out Militia for Embodiment."

Army Form E 542, "Certificate of G.O.C.-in-C. showing strength and number qualified in Units administered by County Associations."

Army Form A 2043, "Urgent Letter Envelope, Field Service."

This form should be deleted from the Tables of the L 1398 series of forms. The place of A 2043 is taken by Army Form W 3078, but this form is issued by Base Stationery Depôts overseas only; indents cannot be received in this country.

Army Form W 3115, "Articles to complete Kit of Soldier discharged from Hospital."

Army Book 59, "Accountants' Account Book, General."

Memorandum.

Army Form E 504, "Attestation for the Militia or Reserve Division of Militia."

Army Form E. 504A, Notice Paper—Ditto.

These Forms cancelled in Army Orders, April, 1915, have been revived for the sole use of the Malta Militia, and supplies have been sent to the Commander-in-Chief, Malta, accordingly.

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**LIST OF CHANGES IN WAR MATERIEL, &c.,
AND AMENDMENTS TO THE PRICED
VOCABULARY OF STORES, PART II.**

A list of changes in war matériel and patterns of military stores which have been approved and sealed, with instructions relating thereto, is issued herewith to all concerned.

Lists of amended and additional rates for the Priced Vocabulary of Stores, Part II., have been approved, 57
and copies will be issued to all concerned. Vocab
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By Command of the Army Council,



APPENDIX TO ARMY ORDER 63.

VOLUNTARY AID DETACHMENTS.

Counties, &c., are arranged in alphabetical order

ENGLAND AND WALES.

| No. | Detachment. | Classification. | By whom organized. |
|-----|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 38 | Cumberland ... | Women's ... | |
| 54 | Derby ... | " ... | British Red Cross Society. |
| 98 | Durham ... | " ... | |
| 100 | " ... | " ... | St. John Ambulance Brigade. |
| 95 | Glamorgan ... | Men's ... | British Red Cross Society. |
| 154 | " ... | Women's ... | |
| 218 | Hants ... | " ... | St. John Ambulance Brigade. |
| 72 | Lancashire, West ... | " ... | St. John Ambulance Association. |
| 11 | Leicester ... | Men's ... | St. John Ambulance Brigade. |
| 258 | London, County of ... | Women's ... | |
| 260 | " ... | Men's ... | British Red Cross Society. |
| 33 | Middlesex ... | " ... | |
| 35 | " ... | " ... | St. John Ambulance Association. |
| 37 | " ... | " ... | |
| 76 | " ... | Women's ... | County Association. |
| 47 | Northumberland ... | Men's ... | St. John Ambulance |
| 56 | Shropshire ... | Women's ... | Brigade. |
| 98 | Suffolk ... | " ... | British Red Cross Society. |
| 49 | Sussex ... | Men's ... | |
| 51 | " ... | " ... | |
| 184 | " ... | Women's ... | St. John Ambulance |
| 17 | Yorkshire, East Riding. | Men's ... | Brigade. |
| 56 | " ... | Women's ... | |
| 142 | Yorkshire, West Riding. | " ... | St. John Ambulance Association. |
| 144 | " " | " ... | |

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| No. | Detachment. | Classification. | By whom organized. |
|-----|---------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 12 | Argyll ... | Women's .. | British Red Cross Society, |
| 42 | Inverness ... | " ... | } Scottish Branch. |

IRELAND.

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|----|---------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | Dublin, City of ... | Men's | St. John Ambulance Association. |
| 3 | " " ... | " | St. John Ambulance |
| 5 | " " ... | " | Brigade. |
| 26 | " County of ... | Women's ... | |
| 7 | " ... | Men's | British Red Cross Society. |
| 9 | " ... | " | St. John Ambulance Brigade. |
| 4 | Galway | Women's ... | St. John Ambulance Association. |

CHANNEL ISLANDS.

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| 2 | Guernsey | Women's ... | St. John Ambulance Association. |
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